## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

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§	Civil Action No. 5:19-cv-1221
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## **DEFENDANT'S NOTICE OF REMOVAL**

TO THE HONORABLE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT:

Defendant Western World Insurance Company files this Notice of Removal.

- 1. Plaintiff Kishor Bhai Patel dba Sona Inn is now and at the time suit was filed was a citizen of the State of Texas. (See Appendix page 001, ¶ 1.)
- 2. Defendant Western World Insurance Company is now a corporation incorporated in the State of New Hampshire and with its principal place of business in New Jersey, and at the time suit was filed was a corporation incorporated in the State of New Hampshire and with its principal place of business in New Jersey. (See Appendix page 34.)
- 3. Because Plaintiff is now and was a citizen of Texas when suit was filed, and because Defendant Western World is now and was at the time suit was filed a citizen of New Hampshire and New Jersey, complete diversity of citizenship exists among the parties.
- 4. Defendant Western World files this Notice of Removal within 30 days of the date that the Defendant was notified of the suit. (See Appendix page 32 33.)
- 5. The amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000.00, exclusive of interests and costs. (See Appendix page 002, ¶ 4; and page 010, ¶43.)
- 6. Because complete diversity of citizenship exists among the parties, and because DEFENDANT'S NOTICE OF REMOVAL Page 1

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the amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000.00 exclusive of interests and costs, this action is

removable under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332 and 1441.

7. Venue is proper in the present Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1441(a), because the

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas, San Antonio Division embraces the 81<sup>st</sup>

District Court, Frio County Texas, where the State Court Action was originally filed and where

the property is located.

8. True and correct copies of the state court filings to date are attached to this

Notice. (See Appendix pages 001 - 031.)

**CONCLUSION** 

By this Notice of Removal, Defendant does not waive any objections it may have as to

service, jurisdiction or venue or any other defenses or objections it may have to this action,

except as expressly herein admitted, and Western World expressly reserves all defenses, motions

and pleas.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October, a true and correct copy of this document was served on counsel for the Plaintiff as follows:

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